



Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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For Crop Week Ending Sunday, October 2, 2011

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 6.0
Soil moisture supplies: 25% very short, 25% short, 48% adequate, and 2% surplus

Field Crops Report
Rain during the week slowed some agricultural activities. Rice harvest neared completion with the ratoon crop reported to be in good condition. The cotton crop progressed well, with 80% harvested, surpassing the five-year average by 38 points. Soybean harvest continued, and producers continued spraying for insects. Sugarcane producers were finishing up planting and getting ready for harvest.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops
Citrus producers were selling fruit. Strawberry producers were busy planting. Vegetable producers continued planting and working crops. Crawfish producers were flooding ponds.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report
Cattlemen were preparing fields for ryegrass planting.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2010	5 YR AVG
Cotton	Harvested	80	63	74	42
Pecans	Harvested	2	N/A	9	3
Rice	Harvested	99	98	98	96
Soybeans	Turning Color	99	97	100	98
	Dropping Leaves	94	88	94	90
	Harvested	80	67	75	69
Sugarcane	Planted	98	89	98	90
	Harvested	1	N/A	3	2
Sweet Potatoes	Harvested	35	28	39	33

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Sugarcane	10	16	33	32	9
Livestock	5	17	38	37	3
Vegetables	15	18	39	27	1
Sweet Potatoes	6	5	20	69	0
Pasture	19	18	40	21	2

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LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 09/25/11 TO 10/02/11

	AIR				PRECIPITATION			
	TEMPERATURE				WEEKLY	FOUR	YR. TO	NORM
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	TOTAL	WEEKS	DATE	
1. Northwest								
LSU-Bossier City	(98)	45	76	72	0.00	0.09	17.79	37.98
Minden	96	45	74	71	0.00	0.69	22.06	41.11
Mooringsport	98	46	75	MM	0.00	1.82	21.36	34.45
Shreveport South	98	48	76	MM	0.00	1.25	21.17	MM.MM
Extreme/Average	98	45	75	72	0.00	1.25	MM.MM	39.01
2. North-Central								
LSU-Calhoun	94	40	71	72	0.50	1.47	30.12	41.46
Homer/Hill Farm	97	(38)	71	70	0.00	0.23	22.02	41.49
Bienville 3 NE	95	45	73	72	0.00	0.03	27.67	45.47
Farmerville	96	48	72	MM	0.74	1.87	26.42	MM.MM
Extreme/Average	97	38	71	71	0.41	1.47	MM.MM	42.40
3. Northeast								
Lake Providence	90	48	71	72	4.31	5.95	36.29	43.72
LSU-St Joseph	92	59	79	73	0.00	4.05	36.37	42.52
Tallulah	90	49	72	71	1.20	3.62	34.96	43.82
Extreme/Average	92	48	71	72	2.76	M.MM	MM.MM	42.92
4. West-Central								
Leesville	96	42	77	72	0.00	0.87	23.04	42.87
Ashland	98	39	74	71	0.00	0.62	21.72	40.97
Hodges Gardens	95	50	78	MM	0.00	1.60	23.81	42.15
Extreme/Average	98	39	76	72	0.00	1.03	23.04	41.73
5. Central								
Alexandria	95	50	76	74	0.07	4.10	29.27	44.75
Jonesville Locks	MM	MM	MM	73	0.00	7.90	35.97	43.37
Eunice	94	50	77	75	1.77	2.77	28.55	45.43
Bunkie	92	42	75	73	0.55	6.94	31.93	46.04
Extreme/Average	95	42	76	73	0.80	4.60	29.92	45.44
6. East-Central								
Norwood	MM	MM	MM	MM	0.48	3.80	40.28	MM.MM
BTR-Concord	MM	MM	MM	MM	0.37	2.23	45.82	50.75
LSU-Hammond	MM	MM	MM	73	0.00	3.27	36.10	50.54
Slidell	89	52	75	74	0.32	4.23	47.75	49.98
Extreme/Average	89	52	75	74	0.32	4.23	47.75	50.48
7. Southwest								
De Ridder	96	51	79	74	0.00	0.45	23.87	45.56
Jennings	93	51	77	74	0.46	2.01	33.27	46.19
LSU-Crowley	90	66	80	75	0.19	2.49	36.92	46.23
Oberlin Fire Tow	93	47	75	74	1.15	3.98	28.17	50.81
Extreme/Average	96	47	77	75	0.54	2.15	30.72	46.97
8. South-Central								
Donaldsonville	91	53	75	74	0.91	2.90	37.15	48.74
LSU-Jeanerette	91	51	74	74	0.43	1.65	32.35	49.38
Morgan City	87	59	76	75	0.75	2.55	36.28	52.11
Lafayette	MM	MM	MM	74	0.00	2.22	46.25	46.39
Extreme/Average	91	51	75	75	0.70	2.73	36.72	49.83
9. Southeast								
Grand Isle	95	65	81	MM	6.60	8.80	40.87	45.44
Galliano	91	56	77	75	0.60	3.70	47.99	53.43
NO Audubon Park	MM	MM	MM	77	0.44	3.68	35.71	51.42
Gonzales	MM	MM	MM	MM	1.49	3.74	45.04	50.65
Extreme/Average	95	56	79	76	2.55	3.68	MM.MM	51.64
State Averages	98	38	75	73	0.92	2.81	33.28	46.79

M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through October 2, 2011

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